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Philip E. Batt, Governor

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Dear Mr. Rapp:

This letter is in regard to the meeting we had on July 20, 1998 in the DEQ office. The purpose of the meeting was primarily to discuss the performance of the remediation system that was chosen per the requirements of the Consent Order. It was agreed that there were some inconsistencies in performance and reporting in regard to ongoing remedial events. Also, the current recovery system for collecting floating hydrocarbons on the ground water may need to be changed or enhanced.

Some ideas that were discussed at this meeting were: (1) to shut down wells EW-1 and EW-2 and try to draw more water out of wells EW-3 and EW-4; (2) attempt to recondition wells MW-11 and HC-4 so that more accurate product thickness reading might be obtained; and (3) dig a pit in the area of heaviest hydrocarbon accumulation on the ground water to visually assess and recover the product layer in this area and install a larger monitoring well when the pit is backfilled.

The Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) agreed to search for data sources on hydrocarbon recovery methods under similar conditions and provide Potlatch with any technology information that may be of assistance in the continued remediation of this site.

As we agreed in the meeting, the present recovery operation must continue, and all operational and reporting requirements must be met as outlined in the Consent Order and associated Remediation Plan. Enhancement modifications, as discussed, may be made at Potlatch's discretion.

Please call me if you have any questions regarding this interpretation of the conclusions reached in the meeting or any other issues concerning the clean up at Avery Landing.

Sincerely,

Kreg Beck
Hazardous Waste Science Officer

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